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An Evening Echo.

Faithfulness and truth are the most sacred excellences and endowments of the human mind.—CICERO.

Specializing Sunday promises to the overdone to the extent of destroying the conception of it as regular.

If as the Democratic mouthpiece says the national honor is not at stake, why did the president do acts of war?

With Huerta defying a big nation, it is hardly to be expected that he will yield to the suggestions of the little fellows.

If it was a ruse in Pauletta's case, it evidently worked, as no one has the slightest idea now where Pauletta is, unless it be those who worked the ruse, if such it was.

With its circulation right at the \$500 mark, the Telegram is crowding even the Wheeling newspapers. The Clarksburg merchant takes notice of this fact.

The Democratic mouthpiece is very solicitous about those who did not retain their jobs in the city government. It forgets that it was only a few months ago when it wanted to make a clean sweep of all of them.

Bryan is still in the cabinet but the people find hope in the fact that a popular ten-cent subscription is being taken in New York as an inducement for him to get out. Thousands are said to be contributing to the fund most cheerfully.

If "there is no question of honor at stake" as declared by one Democratic newspaper in discussing the nation's troubles with Huerta, why were American lives sacrificed at Vera Cruz? Why did the president order war acts done?

Former Senator Samuel B. Montgomery, the original Roosevelt man in West Virginia, but who has long since declared that the state administration was sufficiently progressive, and that he desired to see a co-operation between the Progressives and Republicans in the coming campaign that would insure the defeat of the Watson-Chilton candidates, was severely scored by E. M. Grant and others at the recent Huntington meeting for his alleged betrayal, but that he represents the sentiment of the Progressives of Preston county is amply demonstrated by the fact that no regard was paid to the exhortations of Mr. Grant, and Senator Montgomery was unanimously elected chairman of the county committee recently.

West Virginia was severely criticized for using its own troops to put down what bordered on a state of anarchy in some of its coal fields and the United States Senate deemed it necessary to order an investigation of the situation. West Virginia settled the trouble, Colorado has used its state troops in the Colorado strike troubles but without success and now federal troops have been sent there.

West Virginia towers head and shoulders above Colorado as shown by its success and Colorado's failure. Those United States senators who howled so much over the fact that West Virginia troops were used have an occasion now for sober thought over the fact that conditions are so much worse in another state that it has been found imperative to dispatch federal troops to that state to do away with civil strife. They should hand West Virginia a fine bouquet.

Plan for Good Roads Day.

Governor Hatfield has declared May 28 and 29 as special Good Road holidays and in order that these may be a success, every patriotic citizen in the state should immediately get busy and assist in making plans to bring about the proper results.

The people in Wisconsin last season constructed a road across the state and the people in Missouri carried out a similar movement. The same can be accomplished in West Virginia if we will put our shoulders to the wheel. This is a patriotic movement and calls for the patriotism of the citizenship of the Little Republic.

The manhood in other states and their patriotism is no greater, no better than in West Virginia; but we need to bestir this patriotism and to this end the governor has issued a proclamation. Let every West Vir-

ginian on these days rally to the support of the governor, and himself help himself and the state by helping to lift West Virginia out of the mud.

## The Salary Matter.

That the salaries paid city officials here are low no fair-minded man will deny. Seventy dollars for a policeman a month is certainly no extortion. Forty dollars a month for a janitor is not a living wage. The city clerk gives constant service for \$125 a month. Coal miners make more than that. Skilled mechanics can get that in two weeks. One hundred dollars a month is certainly not too much for chief of police. All the tax collector gets is \$125 a month and it is certainly not too much for his services. And thus it is all the way down the list.

Where can there be retrenchment in this? Nine policemen besides the chief and lieutenant are certainly not too many, eleven all told, on two shifts, one in the day time and the other at night.

There is demand for an expansion of the fire department, which if heeded will mean more firemen. The fire chief gets only \$80 a month. That certainly is not too much for a responsible position like that. The firemen receive only \$70 a month. One wonders how they can live decently on that.

An ugly insinuation that salaries are too high here is fully exploded when those salaries are compared with those paid in other West Virginia cities.

## Road Bearing on War.

The Laredo to Saltillo road, regarded by army officers as the best as well as the shortest military route to Mexico City, will present unexpected difficulties to an invading army, according to a statement issued by the American Highway Association, the clearing house of the road movement in America, at the Washington headquarters today.

Within a few weeks, the season for rain will begin in Mexico, and owing to the failure of the officials of that country to maintain their roads, many of the highways will become impassable. There are three routes by which an invading army might enter Mexico, the one starting at Laredo, which avoids the long desert; another by way of El Paso, and the third by way of Eagle Pass.

According to the statement of the American Highway Association, the roads in Mexico are in such bad condition that the hauling of artillery over them will be very difficult, especially after the rainy season sets in and the highways become heavy with mud.

With the exception of the valley of Mexico and a few mining regions, there are few improved roads in the country. In most sections they are little better than the unimproved earth road, and very little work is done either in repair or maintenance, except as is absolutely necessary for immediate traffic.

In the state of Chihuahua, where Carranza and Villa have their political headquarters, a government appropriation, amounting to only \$1,500 in gold each year, is made with a view to keeping the roads and bridges in repair. On the haciendas, which in some instances are larger than one of our countries, the necessary roads are crudely maintained by the owners merely for their own convenience.

The laws of Mexico provide that the roads be at least thirty-six feet wide and that they be repaired each year. Failure to comply with these provisions entails a double fine on the offending persons, the fine being paid, theoretically, in either labor or money. There is no attempt to enforce this law, and the roads are given little attention.

In Cuba and the Philippines, the first work that was required from the army after sanitation had been accomplished, was the improvement of the roads. The Philippines had no road system when the American army landed, but now there is a very modern system to be found in the islands. The advance of civilization, according to the American Highway Association, usually can be gauged by a nation's highways.

## The "Six-and-Six" Plan.

Emphatic approval of the "six-and-six" plan of school organization urged by the Inland Empire Teachers' Association at its Spokane meeting was expressed by Dr. P. P. Claxton, United States commissioner of education. "I know of no valid reason for the present plan of eight and four years of school," declared Dr. Claxton, "where there should be six years of elementary school and six years of high school, the high school period being divided into two sections of three years each."

"There are many reasons for the change. Children 12 and 13 years old are at the beginning of the transition period between childhood and youth—they should not be kept doing elementary work. At present the pupils in most school systems mark time to a large extent through the seventh and eighth grades. This is especially true where the methods of the elementary schools are carried through these and the children are taught by women grade teachers. With a six-year elementary school it would be easily possible to promote the teachers with the children from grade to grade, thus gaining the large value that comes from teachers and children remaining together until the teacher knows the needs of the children, their strength, and their weakness, and can build intelligently on all the knowledge or previous years."

Furthermore, to begin the high school with the seventh grade will make much easier the departmental work, which should begin at least this low down. It will also make it much easier to begin work in such

## THEN and NOW

One hundred and twenty years ago today occurred the events which resulted in an insurrection for the independence of Ireland. At midnight of that day Dublin was in an uproar. The doors of a local legislative reform club, a branch of the United Irishman Society, burst open with a crash. In the doorway stood the scarlet-coated soldiers of the king, covering the assembled Irishmen with their guns. The leaders were arrested and carried off to jail for treason. From this moment dates the insurrection that was fought out four years later. Ireland was flooded with government troops, but the society grew rapidly. Oaths of membership and secrecy were administered. Pistols and munitions of war were secretly distributed and hidden for the uprising. The society had over 500,000 members at the beginning of 1798. Stern measures to stamp out the rebellion were instituted. The insurrection began near Sligo on the 24th of May. It raged for a month, closing with the battle of Vinegar Hill with victory for the government. The rebellion cost the lives of 150,000 Irishmen, 20,000 English. Three years later the Irish parliament was removed from Dublin and united with the English at London.

high school subjects as foreign languages, constructive geometry, and real literature. At this point where they should be begun. The study of languages, especially of modern languages, should be begun in a practical way. This plan will also make it possible to introduce manual training, domestic science, and various forms of vocational work two years earlier than they are now begun.

"Our secondary school work is now at a great disadvantage as compared with the work done in the Gymnasien and Realschulen in Germany, the Lycees of France, and the so-called public schools of England. By giving six years to the high school, the boys and girls who go to college may easily have, on admission to college, a much larger amount of mathematics, languages and other subjects than they now have. I feel quite sure that by an arrangement of this kind and a little more care in the preparation and selection of teachers you may gain for most children two years in the twelve."

"The division of the high school into two sections of three years each will make easier a second differentiation of work at the end of the first three high school years."

At present only about one-fourth of the children enter the high school. The compulsory school age in most states corresponds quite closely with the elementary school period. Parents and children are thereby confirmed in the idea that the elementary education is all that is needed. Besides, the break between the elementary school and the high school at this time suggests leaving school and makes it easier. If the break came at 12 or 13 the great majority of children would be in the high school, doing high school work under high school conditions, and probably a much larger proportion of them would continue in school than under present conditions."

The Inland Empire Teachers' Association, which adopted the resolution favoring the new plan, enrolls about 2,000 teachers from the States of Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana. The resolution passed unanimously.

## Coming Events in Clarksburg

Wednesday, May 6.—Tri-ennial state camp meeting, Modern Woodmen of America, Knights of Pythias hall.

Saturday, May 9.—Baseball game, West Virginia University vs. West Virginia Wesleyan, Union Park.

Tuesday, May 12.—Dance given by the Trojan Club, Masonic temple.

Thursday, May 14.—Baseball game, Cuban Stars vs. Clarksburg team of Pa.-W. Va. League, Union Park.

Friday, May 15.—"Peg O' My Heart," Robinson Grand theater.

Thursday, June 11.—Baseball game, Ohio Wesleyan vs. West Virginia Wesleyan, Union Park.

## THE DAILY NOVELETTE

## THE ARRIVAL OF SPRING.

The dreamy thoughts of the poet—

Were leaping through his head—

—Alas!

'Twas Springtime yet he had to write,

Ten winter rhymes of highest class.

Soapenbauer, the poet, opened his eyes, (for he was awake) and knew immediately that Spring had arrived.

The March air was balmy as the star boarder in an asylum, and outside the window the little green buds were shooting forth on the trees and things as fast as they could.

But that was not how Soapenbauer the poet knew that Spring had come.

Two little birds were sitting on a telegraph wire, blissfully unaware that their perch would have been a fatal one if they had had one foot on the ground, twittering, twittering and discussing the location for their

1914 nest.

But it was not that that Soapenbauer the poet knew of the presence of Spring.

Down in the street hokey-pokey man rang his little bell and the glad shouts of children verberated and reverberated, and the soft swish of springing grass was everywhere.

But it was none of these signs that told the poet Soapenbauer of Spring. Soapenbauer knew that Spring had arrived because he had been awakened by the first snuffle of his annual spring cold.

## BOTH SIDES

Of the Mexican Trouble Are Now Sending Representatives to Washington.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 4.—It was learned today that the mediation envoys were expecting the arrival in Washington of representatives both of the Huerta government and of the constitutionalists. Whether the Mexican factions would send representatives here was problematical but the diplomats hoped to have some one on the grounds with whom they could confer.

## STATE FUNDS

Less Than \$2,000,000 According to Reports of Auditor and Treasurer.

CHARLESTON, May 4.—According to the reports of the state auditor and state treasurer, the balance in all funds to the credit of the state of West Virginia is \$1,739,190.37, divided among the several funds as follows: State fund, \$384,125.81.

Workmen's compensation fund, cash \$36,239.62; invested, \$100,000; total \$286,338.62.

General school fund, \$69,724.94.

The school fund, on hand and invested, \$1,000,000.

Total on hand in all funds and invested, \$1,739,190.37.

## Getting the Summer

## Home Ready

Perhaps you have not made your plans yet—the advertising in the Daily Telegram will help you.

Want some suggestions as to how to furnish it attractively and at the least expense? Glance at the advertising in the Daily Telegram.

Where can the best curtains be had? Again we refer you to the advertising in the Daily Telegram.

Can you get a piano for a moderate price?

Where can you select the china and the kitchen ware to best advantage?

These and every one of the scores of other questions that will suggest themselves will be answered in our advertising from day to day.

Begin reading it today.

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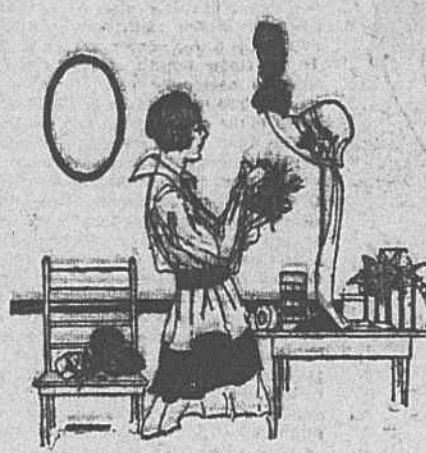
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## THE WATTS-LAMBERD CO.

WE GIVE "S. &amp; H." GREEN TRADING STAMPS WITH CASH PURCHASES.

## The May Sales Were Never So Helpful in Years as Now-In Furnishings for the Home and Ready-to-Wear Apparel.

## We Take Pleasure in Announcing For Wednesday, May 6, A Special Exhibition of Mid Summer Millinery



The latest Parisian Millinery models, pattern hats portraying the very newest French ideas in summer millinery. The majority of these beautiful new creations are hand-made Hats of Maline, Laces and crepes—others of fine French braids. A complete array of Hats suitable for Dress, evening wear or dancing—also a fascinating collection of the latest street and sports hats.

## FRENCH HATS \$10 TO \$15

Several hundred new hats fresh from the hands of our milliners are ready for tomorrow. Specially priced \$5.00, \$6.00, \$7.00 and \$8.00.

## Stripe Valance For Porch

Nothing adds more to the good looking and comfort of your porch than a good looking valance, complete line of colors in 27 and 36-inch widths, scalloped at bottom, hemmed at top—ready to hang.

## Order Your Porch Rugs and Porch Shades Now

We have just received a large shipment of "Crest" and "Watts" Rugs in all sizes, plain and patterned, also porch runners—by the yard in all widths 27 inch, 30 inch, 36 inch, 41 inch, and 71 inches wide. Stenciled bordered and bound edges. Get our prices, a pleasure to show you. "Aerolux" no whip Porch Shades are the best made. Let us give you a figure on shades for your porch. Sold exclusively by the Watts-Lambers Co., for Clarksburg.

## Porch and Window Awnings

Let us give you a figure on awnings for Porch and Windows. Bring or phone your sizes. Estimates gladly furnished.

## Special For Wednesday

9 A. M.

50c Loop Cloth | 24c yd

38 inches Wide | 24c yd

A popular new fabric offered in Wednesday's special sale at less than half regular price. A medium weight fabric with thread stripes closely looped. Colors white, pink, light blue.

SEE WINDOW.

## Stylish Silk Dresses in a Special May Sale

Sale Prices \$14.75 and \$17.75

Regular Prices from \$20.00 to \$37.50

Every Silk fabric that is stylish for spring and summer finds representation in these handsome costumes. A wonderful large line to select from. The most effective models of the season—made up of rich silks combined with pretty laces—soft, pussy willow taffeta, shimmering meteors, soft tones of crepe de chine, rich silk moires, alluring crinkle crepes and plain and figured taffeta.

Every new style idea is represented. There are so many frills and ruffles, new bodice and sleeve ideas, wide girdles and tiered, ruffled tunic, pannier and bustle effects, that it is impossible to accurately portray the entire line.

## Clarksburg's Best Assortment of Carpets, Rugs, Matting, Linoleums, in the May Sale at Money Saving Prices

A broad assertion, no doubt, but we do not hesitate to say that the assortments of standard Rugs, Carpets and Floor Coverings, here ready for your inspection, are the most comprehensive and the best selected in this city. A collection unequalled in quality and quantity and variety. Come in and see for yourself. Exceptional values that will prove of interest to all in need of new floor coverings.

\$13.00 Brussels Rugs ..... \$10.98  
\$11.50 Brussels Rugs ..... \$8.89  
\$1.50 Velvet Rugs ..... \$1.00  
\$25.00 and \$22.00 Axminster Rugs ..... \$19.98  
\$1.35 Axminster Carpets, yard ..... \$1.00  
\$17.00 Brussels Rugs ..... \$13.98  
\$1.35 Velvet Carpets, yard ..... \$1.00  
Axminster Rugs ..... \$1.00  
\$2.25 Velvet Rugs ..... \$1.50  
\$7.50 Art Squares ..... \$4.98  
\$1.25 Brussels Carpets, yard ..... 85c  
\$21.50 Brussels Rugs ..... \$15.00  
\$1.00 Brussels Carpets, yard ..... 75c  
\$42.50 Wilton Velvet Rugs ..... \$37.50

Best 30c and 35c China and Japanese Mattings now on sale at 25c the yard. Printed and inlaid Linoleums at special sale prices.

## Sale of Curtains That Should Interest Every Housekeeper is Now in Progress

In this sale you are offered Curtains of all kinds at money saving prices. Plain and fancy Serim Curtains, Muslin, Swiss, Nets and in fact all kinds of new Curtains at greatly reduced prices.

## Start A Savings Account With This Bank And Watch It Grow

Many good things are said about our methods of conducting this bank. All who avail themselves of our services are well pleased and they will tell you so. This is exactly why a Savings Bank—a Bank for the masses—we welcome the small accounts as gladly as we do the larger ones.

ALL ACCOUNTS AT THIS BANK DRAW INTEREST AT THE RATE OF 4 PER CENT

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